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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Alexander Kravtchenko et al.  
Serial No.: 10/620,738  
Filed: July 16, 2003  
Title: CROSS INTERLEAVE REED-SOLOMON CODE  
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**RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Non-final Rejection mailed April 4, 2006, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification:**

A Title is added as indicated on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Abstract:**

The Abstract is amended as indicated on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper where claims 4, 5 and 13 – 15 have been cancelled, while claims 1, 6 and 7 have been amended. Claims 1 – 3 and 6 – 12 remain.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.